(b) The State Government rave reported that the arrest of persons under TADA are due to their complicity and involvement in offences under TADA and not out of any political animosity.

Expenditure on the Council of Ministers

2979. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the expenditure incurred by Government towards salaries, T.A./D.A./telephone and other perks of the Union Council of Ministers during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): The information on salaries, sumptuary and other allowances and travel/tour expenses is enclosed as statement.

Statement

Details of expenditure on Salary, TA/DA of the Union Council of Ministers.

Head of Account	Year-wise expenditure		
	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92
Salaries	9,45,000	6,39,000	16,38,000
Sumptuary & Other Allowances	48,94,000	33,34,000	46,10,000
Travel Expenses/Tour Expenses	4,86,82,000	4,23,59,000	8,49,89,000

Insult to National Flag

2980. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pelased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no salute was given to the National Flag on the 26th January, 1991 at Lakhisarai Subdivisional Magistrate's Office;

(b) if so, what were the reasons therefor; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to punish those guilty of insulting the national flag?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to the information furnished by the State Government of Bihar, the Sub-Divisional Police Officer could not arrive at the Lakhisarai Sub-Divisional Office Ground to salute the National Flag due to misunderstanding about the timing of hoisting.

(c) The State Government of Bihar are considering to punish the guilty Officer suitably.

Oil refinery in Madhya Pradesh

2981. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Madhya Pradesh Legislature had on the 7th August, 1991 passed a resolu-